## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION 1:09-CR-17-GCM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
v.	)	
	)	ORDER
	)	
ALBERT CHARLES BURGESS,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
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This matter is before the Court on Defendant's Motion to Be Appointed Co-Counsel.

Defendant's motion is DENIED. Mr. Burgess does however have the constitutional right to proceed *pro se*. The Court directs Mr. Burgess to seek Mr. Devereux's counsel concerning the issues Mr. Burgess wishes to develop. While Mr. Burgess has the right to proceed *pro se*, the Court strongly urges that he keep the experienced, competent defense counsel who represents him now.

So ordered.

Signed: February 19, 2010

Graham C. Mullen United States District Judge